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SPOTLIGHT: DAVE ROBBINS & SCOTT TIBBS

When Dave Robbins and Scott Tibbs joined the LCPC staff this past spring, they were already well known – beloved, actually – among our church family.

poignant personal reflections between praise songs are as memorable as his deep timbre as lead vocalist. And Scott is known not just for his artistry on the keyboards, but also for the big smile and big hugs delivered to the congregation during greeting time.

Now, Scott and Dave are co-directors of contemporary worship at LCPC, working each week to create a musical experience that stirs the soul.

“There’s song leading and there’s worship leading. There’s a difference in my mind and in my heart,” says Dave. “We want to be leading in worship.”

Equipped with Pastor Mouris Yousef’s sermon plan and Scripture selections, Dave and Scott spend hours selecting

music that underscores the message, coordinating members of the praise band, creating music charts — and prayerfully using their gifts to bring LCPC congregants closer to Jesus.

No drama, they insist. Keep it simple, keep it worshipful.

The two find particular joy in bringing younger band members into the fold, inspired by their spirit, energy and burgeoning faith.

“We want to be positive folks in their lives and mentor them in a way that they just get a stronger relationship with God,” says Scott.

Both contemporary worship leaders are also grateful for the opportunity to collaborate with the classically trained Gary Woodward, director of LCPC’s traditional worship service featuring choir and instrumental music.

“We’re one church, and working with Gary really has been a blessing,” Dave says. “The music can be different, but we’re all together. I believe that to my core.”

As they were growing up, Scott’s mom was the church organist and Dave’s parents sang in the choir, and they both know and love traditional hymns. At a recent combined worship service at LCPC, they were moved by the congregation’s heartfelt embrace of “Blessed Assurance,” a hymn that dates back 150 years.

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Scott (left) and Dave

As part of the contemporary worship band for years, the two have brought much more than their musical gifts to the Sanctuary: Dave’s

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Pastor Mouris will be leading and teaching a 10-week class titled, “Building a Community in Christ!” We long to belong. We crave fellowship. We crave community. God’s people are called to togetherness and commitment that transcends all natural boundaries—whether ethnic, generational, social, political, or economic. This course casts a compelling and

captivating vision for authentic Christian community and introduces in depth the full Biblical principles for pursuing and creating such a community. So whether you’re new to LCPC or have been attending for some time, this class will re-energize you with God’s vision for the local Church. The class will include biblical instruction as well as small group discussion. Please join us on Wednesdays this fall.

Dot will have programming for the kids in pre-school through 6th grade. The kids will spend the first half of their time together going through the New City Catechism curriculum, using both songs and hands-on activities to learn the core truths of Christianity. The second half will be dedicated to both structured and free play. A delicious meal will be available for \$5 (\$3 for kids under 12).

P A S T O R ' S L E T T E R

Dear LCPC Family,
Greetings in the name of Jesus Christ. "Come to me..." Jesus said in Matthew 11: 28. Jesus also said in John 14:18, "I will come to you." Our lives are filled with comings and goings. Changing of seasons; a season come, and a season go. Changing of season bring more opportunities to experience the fullness of life; to travel and see sites, to connect with family and friends, to work and focus, or to slow down and follow a rhythm of life.

People come: some to visit, some to help, some to work, some to play, some to teach, and some to learn. The comings in our lives are varied: we come to others, and others come to us. All of these comings, though, have a common thread: we interact with one another. It is vital for each of us — for our physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual health — that we connect and interact with others.

Do we intentionally plan for goings and comings — even those that might seem to be "chance" encounters? If we believe that God directs and guides our lives, we would do well to recognize that what we think are random comings and goings are actually God-appointed appointments, designed to enable us to share blessings.

I am struck by the number of places in the Bible where we are told that God comes to visit His people. Jesus came to share life with individuals, and encouraged individuals to share life with each other. Two examples of God-orchestrated comings: In Genesis 47:5, Pharaoh, blessed by his prime minister's wise leadership during years of famine, said to Joseph, "Your father and your brothers have come to you", and Jacob pronounced a blessing upon Pharaoh. Sometime later, as Jacob's final days on earth drew near, Joseph came to visit his father, and in Genesis 48:2 we read that "When Jacob was told, "Your son Joseph has come to you," he rallied his strength and sat up on the bed, and gave blessings to his grandsons."

Two more illustrations of Jesus comings: In Luke 18:16, Jesus, displeased that the disciples were attempting to send the children away, said instead, "Let the little children come to me." Mark 10:16 tells us that Jesus "took the children in his arms, put his hands on them and blessed



them." Jesus, coming to Zacchaeus, and finding him in a tree, says, "Come down!" and after visiting him in his house goes on in Luke 19:9 to say, "Today salvation has come to this house."

How will God come to you this Fall? Or who may come to us, bearing God's grace for us? Let us be ready to receive whoever may come

to us today. Similarly, to whom will you go this Fall? Let us also be eager to go to others, bearing the image of God, in the name of Jesus, and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

And as we think about those comings and goings, let me remind you of a few things that are coming your way and are happening around LCPC this Fall:

First: New Sermon Series

On Sunday, September 7, we will kick off a New Sermon Series based on the Ten Commandments. The series is titled "God's Top X". Together we will seek to unlock the power and relevance of the Ten Commandments for our own lives today.

Second: Kick off Sunday

LCPC Kick off Sunday will be celebrated on Sunday, September 14. Many of our normal activities will resume that week after our summer hiatus. Along with our various ministries, we will continue to offer two worship services every Sunday. As a congregation, we are committed to offer these two worship services at 10:00 a.m. — the Contemporary worship in the Sanctuary and the Classic worship in the Chapel. We are grateful to offer these two distinct worship services to our community. I look forward to a great church year with so many ministries coming back that week.

Third: PEAK Fall 2025

PEAK (Praise and Education for Adults and Kids) starts on Wednesday, September 17. Have you signed up for the Fall Class? This is going to be a 10-week class titled, "Building a Community in Christ!" This is a great way to engage in building such a community here at LCPC. We all crave authentic Christian community. More information from the Adult Discipleship Team about this class is found on

page 1 of this *Messenger*.

Fourth: Tuesday Bible Study

Tuesday Bible Study will resume on Tuesday, September 16. We will be meeting every Tuesday through May 2026, Lord willing, from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Our topic for first half of the year is "A Journey Through the Book of Acts!" Sign-up sheets are available for those interested in this class.

Fifth: New Members Class

It's not too late to sign up for the New Members Class. Church membership matters. It's God's way to connect us to His Body, the Church. If you are new to LCPC and want to officially join our church family or if you've been here for a while but you've never joined, please sign up for the class. Times to be determined with those interested.

A busy Church year is ahead of us, but I am excited to explore with you all the great things the Lord has in store for us. "Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland. The wild animals honor me, the jackals and the owls, because I provide water in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland, to give drink to my people, my chosen, the people I formed for myself that they may proclaim my praise" Isaiah 43:18-21.

Yours in Christ's Service,
Rev. Dr. Mouris A. Yousef
Senior Pastor & Head of Staff

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SPOTLIGHT ON MISSIONS

EATON FIRE RECOVERY VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

In case you missed our Moment for Mission update during worship on July 13, here's a quick summary of LCPC's efforts to support the recovery to-date:

- Total contributions to the Eaton Fire Recovery Fund now total nearly \$190,000, including matching grants and about \$28,000 in transfers from other LCPC mission and memorial accounts, as well as accrued interest on the fund
- We expect to distribute the vast majority of this fund by the end of 2026
- We have identified our two primary partner ministries:
 - ▲ San Gabriel Valley Habitat for Humanity
 - ▲ Door of Hope ("DOH")
- Not long after the fire was extinguished, a small group of LCPC members and friends volunteered through Samaritan's Purse to assist about 45 families as they searched through the ashes of their homes, looking for special possessions that might have survived the fire
- In late June, a team of five from LCPC (pictured) joined hundreds of other volunteers building wall panels, cabinets, and table bases as part of Habitat's two-day



*Walls of Hope
LCPC team*

Walls of Hope event to launch its rebuilding program in Altadena

- In July, Vacation Bible School families collected backpacks and other school supplies, along with over \$1,000 in cash donations, all of which was matched with money from our Eaton Fire Fund to support kids in the DOH program who were directly impacted by the fire
- Small teams helped to furnish homes for two DOH families, delivering items from the family's wish list and sharing a meal with them
- We delivered our first meal to one of the DOH multi-family shelters (an ongoing monthly opportunity to serve, see below!)



Recognizing the challenge of hosting large teams of volunteers from within the LCPC family alone, the Task Force is actively working to build partnerships with other churches to combine our forces... both in terms of money and manpower.

We are excited to announce that our first joint church build day, supporting Habitat's very first fire recovery project in Altadena, has been scheduled for Saturday, November 15 (this date subject to change based on factors outside of Habitat's control, including weather and construction progress). The specific scope of work for the day will depend on construction progress at that point in time.

Volunteers must be 16 or older, but no experience is necessary! We anticipate starting the day with check-in at 7:45 am, and finishing around 3:30 pm. There will be an opportunity to sign up for half day shifts (morning or afternoon), or full-day shifts, and all volunteers will be invited to a lunch program on site, with food provided by "hospitality volunteers" who would prefer to make and serve a meal, rather than swing a hammer or paint a wall (after all, building the Kingdom of God requires all of our gifts... building a home is no different!). We can have up to 50 volunteers working on-site at a time (split between the main house and

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY UPDATE

Habitat has been gearing up to start rebuilding in Altadena, focused on homeowners who were uninsured/underinsured and who would otherwise have to sell their properties and move elsewhere. Twenty-two families were identified for the first homes (with more to come), and building permits have already been secured by virtue of a streamlined city approval process with a relatively small set of standard (but aesthetically customizable) home designs that reflect the architectural character of the region.



Each home design reflects the architectural character of the Foothill region – balancing efficiency, beauty, and the power of choice for families ready to rebuild.

EATON FIRE RECOVERY

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an ADU), although the ideal team size is somewhat dependent on the phase of construction that the project is in.

Reserve the date to join us for our kick-off build day! And watch for our sign-up link, likely available by mid-October. If you can't make it, don't worry... this is just the first in a series of build days over at least the next couple of years.

DOOR OF HOPE VOLUNTEER UPDATE



As mentioned previously, we have been supporting DOH families who lost their homes in the fire as they transition into new, rental housing. We use a small portion of the money we raised to procure items on a family's



Door of Hope multi-family shelter

wish list, and then deliver those items to the family and help in whatever other small ways we can to help them in their transition. We also serve meals to one of the Door of Hope multi-family shelters on the second Monday of each month. Please contact Cindy at csguenther50@gmail.com if you are interested in volunteering for either of these easy (and gratifying!) ways to serve our neighbors in need.

DAVE & SCOTT



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"If somebody's smiling when they're singing music and I can tell that they're pure about it, that's my favorite music at that moment," Scott says.

With a PhD in musical composition from UCLA, Scott also works in research and development for Roland Corp., which manufactures electronic music equipment. He loves creating new sound technologies and fine-tuning how they work.

Dave was part of a contemporary Christian band as a young adult, has led worship at

Rolling Hills Covenant Church and also spent years in real estate construction and project management, which allowed him to travel the world.

"I've gotten out of music and worship a few times in my life, and God seems to

have other ideas and pulls me back in. And I'm just so grateful for that," he says.

Dave and Scott spent a combined 23 years as part of the praise band at LCPC before stepping up to work side by side as co-directors of contemporary music.

"God has connected us. We encourage and support each other," says Dave. "I now have a lifelong friend and brother who I love."

Adds Scott, "Dave's skill in leading worship, it's just such a gift from God. We really just want to pay attention to how God is talking to us."

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO DELIVER FOOD TO HOMEBOUND SENIORS



Making It Happen, Inc.

Making It Happen exists to meet the needs of those in our community who are homeless, unemployed, or under-employed by providing food and access to services that provide a pathway to more successful lives. The primary focus of this ministry is their weekly food pantry, which provides about 150 to 200 households with generous boxes of food every Saturday; on Easter, Thanksgiving, and Christmas Day, they also provide hot meals and encouragement to our unhoused neighbors at Sunland Park; and they sponsor a Family Christmas Celebration to bring joy to underprivileged children in the community.

Most people served by the weekly pantry do so through a drive-up service, lining up in their cars at Heart of the Canyons Church in Lakeview Terrace. In addition, deliveries are made to several locations with large unhoused populations, as well as to about 12 to 15 households (mostly seniors) who for one reason or another cannot get to the church. That's where LCPC comes in! Members and friends of the church deliver these boxes to households in the area each Saturday.

Two teams of two people typically deliver about six to eight boxes each, requiring less than an hour and a half of their time from leaving their home to their return. It's an easy task, made easier by the gratitude of the people we serve. To ensure we can meet this need each Saturday, we need a few more volunteers. Most teams serve about two Saturdays a month, but we also welcome volunteers who are unable to serve regularly, but are willing to fill an open slot from time to time.

To volunteer or learn more, please contact Cindy at csguenther50@gmail.com.

ALL CHURCH PICNIC WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 10 5:30PM

Your whole family is invited to join us for our annual All Church Picnic at Dunsmore Park, Wednesday September 10 at 5:30 pm. Bring your own dinner, chairs and blankets. (Stay tuned - there may be a local Dine Out Fundraiser you can support!) Fellowship will provide dessert, fun and games for all ages. Picnic will be in the park area just north of the baseball field.





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Save the date for the Deacon's blood drive on September 7. We hope you can make it and donate your lifesaving blood to bless the community and those in need. Please use the QR code on the flyer or go to the registration table during Party in the Breezeway to sign up for a time slot to donate. Also, if you would like to volunteer at the event to talk with donors and distribute snacks, please contact Hilary Norton or Alice Hill.

We are excited to announce that three \$1,000 scholarships have been awarded this year. The recipients are: Will Wolfswinkel attending Azusa Pacific University, Amanda Rush Bova attending Loyola Marymount University, and Haydan Phelan attending Arizona Christian University. Some of these universi-

ties have a scholarship match program which will extend the scholarship further. Congratulations to all the recipients and we wish you a successful school year ahead.

To welcome the fall season and cooler weather (we hope), the Deacons are planning to bake a mini loaf of apple spice cake for each family and visitor. The Deacons will distribute the baked goods before the Combined Service on October 5th, so please come early to receive your sweet treat. If you are not able to attend the service in person, please reach out to Mackenzie Roach or Alice Hill and they can coordinate a delivery day and time that will best work for you.

Until next month,
Deacon Dave

BISTRO 50+

TUESDAY,
SEPTEMBER 9
12 NOON IN
KOOPMANS

BISTRO 50+ IS BACK!

The Cruisers are returning from their summer vacation and are proud to invite you all to their first meeting on September 9, 2025, with a powerful program from a new friend of our church, JOSE PORCELL. We will be privileged to hear his story about his escape from Cuba with his family and how they ended up at our church. This will be very interesting, do not miss it!

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY RESUMES ON SEPTEMBER 16

We will be meeting every Tuesday through May 2026, Lord willing, from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. The first half of the year, we will be embarking on "A Journey Through the Book of Acts!" The story of the early church is a fascinating story; it's a timeless one as it continues to bring us back to the foundation of our faith. Early Christians faced enormous challenges such as false teaching, ostracization, persecution, culture clashes, political and racial challenges. We will be reflecting on the story of the early Church through reflecting on real people and real-life situations and draw helpful lessons for our daily living as followers of Jesus in 21st century America.



CHILDREN'S ministries



Hello, friends and families of LCPC!

Somehow summer has come and gone, which is particularly bittersweet for me as another one of my kids is officially

done with the preschool program at the Center for Children and off to kindergarten. I'm so thankful for a preschool we love so much that it's hard to say goodbye! The school has been such a beautiful launching pad for community, which I hope to continue cultivating through the LCPC's Family Ministries in the months ahead.

We celebrated the end of summer with Waterpalooza, our annual end-of-summer event for LCPC, CFC, and community families. You can never go wrong with water slides, water balloons, and popsicles on a 95-degree day! It's so wonderful to host events that families from our community can enjoy and to see how the Lord can truly use every offering to bring redemp-

tion and renewal to a city.

As families settle into school year rhythms and the church calendar follows suit, I'm so looking forward to all that the Lord is inviting our Children Ministries into this fall. This September, we'll be launching a new ministry name and vision statement, establishing a time of Kids Worship on Sunday mornings, splitting up our classrooms to better accommodate our growing number of children, and re-implementing a digital check-in process! I pray that all of these changes, both big and small, continue to create an environment in which children can deeply encounter the love of Jesus within a safe and loving community of friends and teachers.

We'll also start up a new teaching series on

Wednesday evenings for our children using the New City Catechism curriculum. Catechisms may sound like an outdated practice, but I strongly believe that giving children the basics of our faith in digestible ways gives them a foundation to stand upon as they wrestle with the big questions of life. So looking forward to creatively teaching the catechisms through songs and activities.

I think that's it for me this month! Chat again in October.

Blessings,
Dot



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Summer's officially over this month (even though the weather doesn't seem to care) so let the **Fall Kick Off** begin! Get ready for all our favorite activities to start back up!

First up is the **Deacons American Red Cross Blood Drive**, Sunday September 7, 8 am-2 pm in Koopmans. There's still time to sign up to donate a pint of your precious blood! If you're over 16 years, in good health and haven't donated in the past 56 days prior, go to lcpc.net/events to register.

September 6-7, there's a great opportunity for the men of LCPC to join the men's group Influencers, for their yearly **M24 Campout** on a ranch in the Tehachapi mountains. About 1500 men gather for a time of "Just Guys. Just God" and it's all free. **Phil Van Horn** and **Steven Anderson** are attending and can give you all the details. Contact Phil at ballphild@gmail.com.

Tuesday, September 9 we have our delicious **Bistro 50+ lunch** at noon for just \$5, with special guest speaker **Jose Porcell** at the **Cruisers** meeting at 1 pm. Jose is a new attendee at LCPC, a delightful man with a fascinating story about how he escaped from Cuba with his family and ended up in La Crescenta. You won't want to miss it!

Wednesday, September 10, is our annual **All Church BYO Picnic** at Dunsmore Park. Bring your family, your dinner, chairs or a blanket and meet us at 5:30 pm. We gather just north of the baseball field and will have games for kids and youth. Dessert will be provided by Fellowship. It's always a great time!

Pastor Mouris will begin his new sermon series this month, **"God's Top X"** (think Roman numerals – not the social media platform) based on the Ten Commandments. He'll guide us through these powerful laws and how they're still relevant for our lives today. His **Tuesday Morning Bible Study** is also starting again, September 16 from 11 am – Noon in Koopmans. **"A Journey Through the Book of Acts"** will explore the valuable lessons for us, in studying the challenges the early Christians faced.

Fall PEAK begins Wednesday, September 17. We offer a yummy home cooked dinner at

FROM THE
**CHURCH
MOUSE**

5:30, \$5 for adults and \$3 for kids. Classes for adults, kids, and students run 6:15-7:30 pm.

Pastor Mouris is offering a class for adults called **"Building a Community in Christ."**



We'll discuss the biblical principles for creating an authentic community in Christ and how we can deepen our connections and community

here at LCPC. Sign up sheets are at the Connection Center, Chapel and church office, for planning purposes.

Dot will have programming for kids aged pre-school – 6th grade, teaching the core truths of Christianity, using the **New City Catechism**, songs, activities and lots of fun! **Will Wolfswinkel** will host **Abide** in the Student Center, until our new Director of Student Ministries is selected. We hope your whole family will join us for this special mid-week time of learning and fellowship.

Come on back the next night for our monthly **Fellowship and Games Night**, Thursday, September 18, in Koopmans Hall. You can bring your dinner or a snack and have a great time learning, then playing a new game.

Children's Ministries is excited to be launching a time of Kids' Worship in the Fireside Room on Sundays. They'll also be splitting up classes to accommodate our growing number of kids. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Dot. She is also in need of **childcare workers in our nursery**

on Sunday mornings, and Wednesday evenings for a few hours. If you know someone who might be interested in a paid position working with children, email her at dot@lcpc.net.

Saturday, September 20, the **Ladies of LCPC** will be gathering at 9:30 am at church, then carpooling to the home of **Pat Rabe** to experience **glass art**. Pat has her own kiln and is an expert glass artist. Everyone will have the chance to create their own glass pendant! If you'd like to bring a snack to share, please sign up using the link in the weekly email.

Photo appointments for our new hard copy **church directory** will be Saturday, September 20 and Saturday, September 27, from Noon-6 pm in the Narthex. We hope you can participate, as we're not able to submit our own

photos, and the only way to receive a directory is to be photographed. Check with **Karen Rice** at Karenrice7700@yahoo.com to see if appointments are still available.

Start perusing your cookbooks because we have our **monthly potluck** Sunday, September 21, right after service ends, in Koopmans Hall. There's always an amazing spread of fantastic dishes each month. Even if you don't bring an item, join us anyway! We have plenty for everyone.

Pastor Mouris will be offering a **New Members Class** this Fall, with dates and times being determined with those interested. If you're new to LCPC and want to become a member or have been attending for a while but never joined, please contact Mouris@lcpc.net.

We've got a few **important positions** here at LCPC that we need to fill. Maybe you are just the right person or know someone who is! We're currently searching for a new **Digital Media Coordinator**, to fill the job **Will Wolfswinkel** has been doing the past few years. We need a **Director of Student Ministries** to fill Izzy's role. We're looking for someone to help with **audio visual needs** in both our Sunday services, too. If you are interested in learning more about any of these roles, please contact Nancy@lcpc.net and she can get you in touch with the right person.

CFC is looking for a full time **Assistant Director** and **two paid van drivers** to pick up children from local schools and drop them off at CFC, M-F from Noon – 3:30 pm. You can contact officeatcfc@gmail.com for more information or to apply.

Kids Hope, our local mission to La Crescenta Elementary school, is starting back up with the new school year and would love more volunteers who can offer an hour a week of mentoring to a child who could use extra support. This is a rewarding and important way you can change the life of child in need. Contact **Janie Roach**, oakcircle5@aol.com or **Armineh Manookian**, amanookian@yahoo.com for details.

If you've been following our mission workers **Darren** and **Elisabeth Kennedy** on social media, you will see their spectacular adventure hiking the Alta Via 2 trail in the Italian Dolomite Mountains. This trail is extremely challenging and for experienced hikers– their photos are amazing! We are glad they are back safe and sound, as they transition back to life in the US after living and serving in Egypt for many years.

Well, that was a lot! Never a dull moment when Fall kicks off at LCPC. Talk to you next month!





CFC Heartbeat



We know...it's September, the school year is underway, and fall is just around the corner. But before we dive into pumpkins and sweater weather, we can't help but look back at the amazing summer we had here at the Center for Children!

From thrilling adventures to quiet moments of creativity, our campers experienced a season full of laughter, learning, and God's blessings. Highlights included a Sparks game at Crypto Arena, Soak City Water Park, Knott's Berry Farm, Neon Retro Arcade, Hansen Dam, the Roaring Foam Party, Kidspace Museum, and Pump & Splash. We proudly walked in our Annual 4th of July Parade and BBQ, participated in Vacation Bible School, and enjoyed hands-on fun in our Maker's Space and at our weekly

Director's Corner

Friday BBQs.

In every activity, the children made new friends, reunited with old ones, and created lifelong memories—all in a safe, Christ-centered environment where families can feel confident that their children are cared for and loved.

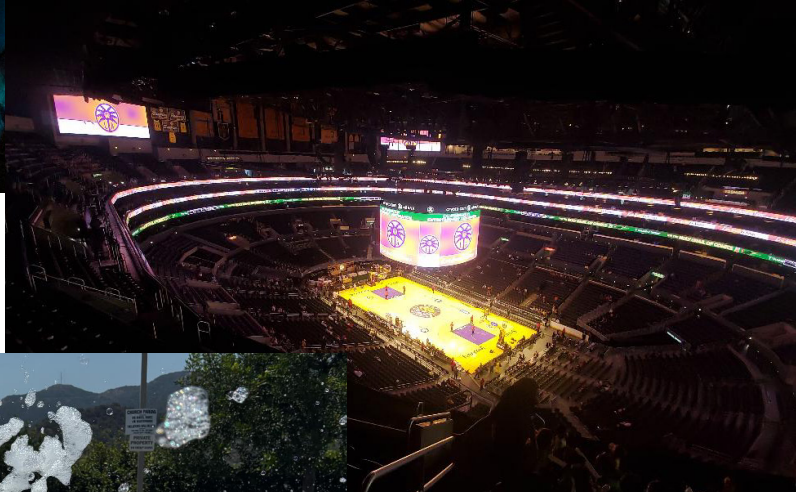
A heartfelt thank you to our incredible staff and volunteers—especially Candice Bautista—for her dedication and joy in making this summer unforgettable.

As someone who is still new here, I have been deeply moved by what I've witnessed. The Center for Children isn't just a place where

kids come to play and learn—it's a ministry with roots that run deep. I've seen children laughing on the same playground their parents once played on, and friendships that span not just years but generations. It's a beautiful reminder that what we do here is more than just summer camp—it's part of a legacy of faith, fun, and fellowship that has been cherished for decades. I feel truly honored to now be part of that story.

As we settle into the new school year, we wish our church family a wonderful September and a season ahead filled with God's grace, learning, and joy.

With love and gratitude,
Arpy Jahjah
CFC Center Director



WHAT A SUMMER!



WORSHIP SCHEDULE FOR SEPTEMBER

CLASSIC WORSHIP IN THE CHAPEL
CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP IN THE SANCTUARY
BOTH SERVICES AT 10 AM

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NEW SERMON SERIES GOD'S TOP X September-November 2025

On Sunday, September 7th, we are excited to kick off our Fall preaching and devotional sermon series. The new series is based on the Ten Commandments and titled "God's Top X". Rev. Dr. Mouris A. Yousef will be reflecting on the Ten Commandments and how they are instrumental in transforming our lives today. These enduring instruc-



tions from God have shaped millions of lives and entire civilizations. We will reflect on them in light of Jesus' teaching and seek to unlock their power and relevance for our own lives today. We hope you can join us every Sunday at 10:00 a.m. for one of our two worship services.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7 COMBINED & COMMUNION WORSHIP SERVICE

"Thunder from Sinai!"

Exodus 19:16-25; Hebrews 12:18-24

Preacher: Rev. Dr. Mouris A. Yousef

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 KICK-OFF SUNDAY

"You Shall Have No Other Gods!"

Exodus 20:1-3; Revelation 4:8-11

Preacher: Rev. Dr. Mouris A. Yousef

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

"You Shall Not Make for Yourself an Idol!"

Exodus 20:1-6; Hebrews 1:1-3

Preacher: Rev. Dr. Mouris A. Yousef

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

"You Shall Not Misuse the Name of the Lord!"

Exodus 20:1-7; Philippians 2:8-11

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